

#### SAINT BARBARA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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We welcome you to Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church and are blessed that you have come to our worship service. We hope that this worship experience is both enlightening and inspirational. Each Sunday is the day in which we commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are a visitor to our Parish we encourage you to follow the Divine Liturgy book to assist you in following the Liturgy. While we are joyful that you have come to join us in worship, we must let you know that the sacraments are reserved for those who are Baptized and Chrismated in the Orthodox Faith. Though we may share a common belief in the Holy Trinity, not all churches are one in faith and practice. We believe that Holy Communion is not the means to Christian unity but it is in fact the fullest expression of that unity. We fervently pray for this unity in every divine service of the Orthodox Church. While visitors from other faiths are not able to receive Holy Communion today, we welcome all to receive the blessed bread that is distributed by the Priest at the end of the service. Feel free to contact Fr. Haralambos, if you desire to learn more about the Orthodox Church, the Church of the New Testament.

We would like to remind all Orthodox Christians to be spiritually prepared and in proper canonical standing with the Church in order to partake of the Holy Eucharist.

#### **FEASTS CELEBRATED TODAY**

On this, the 28th of May, Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council, we commemorate:

The Holy Hieromartyr Eutychius, Bishop of Melitene Nikitas, Bishop of Chalcedon Eutechios, Bishop of Mytilene

By their holy intercessions, Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

# SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2017 Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

#### Hymn for the Resurrection (Sixth Tone)

O Christ, the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the guards were as dead, and Mary stood by the grave, seeking Your sacred body. You destroyed Hades, yet remained untouched by it. You encountered the Virgin and, through her, bestowed Life. "Glory to You who have risen from the dead!"

Hymn for the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council You are greatly glorified, O Christ our God, who established our Fathers as luminaries upon the earth, and through them led us all to the true Faith. O Most compassionate, glory to You.

#### Hymn for Saint Barbara

Let us honor Saint Barbara; for the all-modest one prevailed over the snares of the enemy, and was freed from them as a sparrow, with the Cross as aid and weapon.

#### Seasonal Hymn

O Christ our God, upon fulfilling Your dispensation for our sake, You ascended in Glory, uniting the earthly with the heavenly. You were never separate but remained inseparable, and cried out to those who love You, "I am with you and no one is against you."

"Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one."

Epistle Notes: Paul meets with the elders of Ephesus and gives his stirring farewell discourse to them. He summarizes three basic elements in his preaching: repentance toward God, faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ, and the kingdom of God. Paul quotes a saying of Jesus not recorded in the Gospels.

#### EPISTLE READING

### Acts of the Apostles 20:16-18, 28-36

IN THOSE DAYS, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletos he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'it is more blessed to give than to receive." " And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

### GOSPEL READING

#### John 17:1-13

At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work which you gave me to do; and now, Father, you glorify me in your own presence with the glory which I had with you before the world was made."

"I have manifested your name to the men whom you gave me out of the world; yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you; for I have given them the words which you gave me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you did send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are mine; all mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves."

#### THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

Epistle Readers: Greek: Andriana Tziouvaras

English: Natalia Tziouvaras

Acolytes: Connor Blake, Theophanis Fox, Cainan Iorio,

Jacob Kaminsky, Alex Nikolov, Zachary Nikolov

**Prosfora:** Connie Pappas Hillman

**Ushers**: Paul Tziouvaras & George Papazacharioudakis

**Coffee Hour:** Paul & Vivi Tziouvaras

In Memory of Yianni Karamaras

**Flowers:** Paul & Vivi Tziouvaras

In Memory of Yianni Karamaras

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 28—Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

**⋄**Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am

Memorial - Yianni Karamaras Memorial (3 years) Sunday School

Thursday, June 1

\* Bible Study, 12 Noon, Redding Center

Saturday, June 3—Saturday of Souls

\* Orthros, 8am; Divine Liturgy, 9am

Sunday, June 4 — Holy Pentecost

Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am

Memorial - Costa (28 years) & Penelope (2 years) Constantaras Sunday School

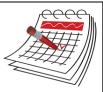
# Memorial Today

YIANNI KARAMARAS (3 Years)

May His Memory Be Eternal

# **Parish Council Meeting**

The next parish council meeting is scheduled for 6:00pm on Tuesday, June 13.





Invite your friends & co-workers to play!

# HELP NEEDED

GOLF CLASSIC FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2017

Still looking for GOLFERS!

A Bartender

Silent Auction items
Help at the golf course and at the dinner
Help setting up on Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>

Let the Church Office know. Thank you!



Do you consider yourself Friendly? Active? Welcoming?

Do you love your Church?

If so, would you like to be a member of our parish

Welcoming Committee? Please call Fr. Bob if you're

interested in joining and/or for more information.





# Please join us at the next Festival Meeting! Tuesday, June 20 @ 6:30 PM

### SCHEDULE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY APPOINTMENT TODAY FOR THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

#### **Photography Dates and Times**

Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Be included in the Church Directory by signing up today in the Orthodox Center, or by going to the Church website at <a href="https://www.saintbarbara.net">www.saintbarbara.net</a> and clicking on the "Photography Scheduling" link. Every family photographed will receive a complimentary Directory and an 8"x10" portrait. There is no obligation to purchase other portraits, however, they will be made available to you.

Also included in the Directory will be a section dedicated to advertising local businesses, services and personal messages. Purchased space may include memorials, commemorations, dedications, congratulatory or other personal messages. Each page in this section will be divided into eight business cardsize ads (3.5" x 2"), available for \$100; full, half and/or quarter page ads will also be available for purchase. The deadline for returning your camera-ready ad and payment is July 1, 2017.

Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to include your ad in the Directory and to assist with costs of production.

# **FESTIVAL BAKING**

Please join us as we make delicious pastries for the 2017 Greek Festival!

**Baking dates are:** 

Saturday June 3
Saturday July 8
Friday July 21
Saturday July 22

To find out how you can help, please contact Andriana Kolendrianos



# MOCHAS for MISSIONS!

Please remember to return your canisters or make a donation at the display in the Orthodox Center by Pentecost – June 4, 2017. Thank you to all those who participated.

